

MINUTES OF

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 12, 1947

Lubbock, Texas, April 12, 1947

The Board of Directors of Texas Technological College met at a called meeting in the office of Dr. W. M. Whyburn, President of Texas Technological College, at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, April 12, 1947. A check of the roll showed the following members present:

Charles C. Thompson, Chairman  
Mark McGee, Vice Chairman  
Chanslor E. Weymouth, Treasurer  
O. B. Ratliff

Robert B. Price  
Charles W. Wooldridge  
Leon Ince

The absent members were:

Kyle Spiller

A. G. (Pat) Mayse

President William M. Whyburn and W. T. Gaston, Secretary of the Board, were also present.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Ratliff, the Board passed a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$125,000.00 in bonds with which to complete the Stadium construction, or \$225,000.00 in bonds in case the \$100,000.00 now held by Dr. Clifford B. Jones could be cancelled and the two issues thrown into one. This was passed by unanimous vote of all present.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Price, the Board expressed thanks and keen appreciation to the Braniff Air Lines for their offer to handle the Attorney General's party on June 2, and expressed appreciation to Clifford B. Jones for his efforts and presentation of the Braniff offer to the Board of Directors.

On motion by O. B. Ratliff, seconded by Leon Ince, the Board voted approval of the contract which was negotiated between the Building Committee of the Stadium for the erection of the Stadium as the contract had previously been drawn. At this juncture, the Board invited Mr. Bob Wear of the Ft. Worth Star Telegram, Mr. C. W. Ratliff of the Avalanche-Journal, and Dr. Clifford B. Jones to sit in on the Board meeting.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Price, the Board authorized payments of full salary increases as described in Senate Bill No. 7 of the 50th Legislature, these increases to be effective for the period, February 12, 1947, through August 31, 1947, on all contracts in effect as of February 12, 1947.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Ince, the Board approved out-of-state travel for the following people:

W. P. Clement, Registrar, to attend American Association of Collegiate Registrars at Denver, Colorado, April 21-24, 1947.

W. M. Craig, Professor of Chemistry, to attend and read a paper at the Southwestern Division of AAS, Colorado Springs, Colorado, April 29 to May 5, 1947.

E. A. Studhalter, Head of Biology Department, to attend and read papers at the Southwestern Division of AAS at Colorado Springs, Colorado,

April 30 to May 4, 1947.

Ray C. Mowery, Acting Head of Animal Husbandry Department, to accompany Livestock Judging Team to the Oklahoma Junior Livestock Show at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, March 17 and 18, 1947.

L. E. Parsons, Head of Textile Engineering Department, for a side trip only from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Wilmington, Delaware, and return, to interview prospective textile teacher on April 19, 1947, in the course of a trip to Atlantic City, New Jersey, to attend the National Association of Textile School Deans, April 15-21, 1947, the expense of which is to be borne by the Textile Foundation.

On motion by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Ince, the Board appropriated \$100.00 to cover inspection cost of Texas Technological College by a representative of the Association of University Women.

The operating budgets for the 1946-47 Regular Session and the 1947 Summer Session, as set up and recommended by the President, were approved upon motion by Mr. Weymouth, seconded by Mr. Ratliff.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Ince, the collection of a fee of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per semester from each student who attends Texas Technological College, was authorized in keeping with Senate Bill 228 of the 50th Legislature.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Ince, permission was given for the Lubbock Boys Club rodeo to be held in the College Stadium during June, 1947. The terms of this permission were as follows:

- (1) That 10 per cent of the profit from gate receipts after deduction of federal tax be paid to the Athletic Department for use of the field.
- (2) That the date of the rodeo must be after Commencement and prior to June 22, 1947.
- (3) That permission be granted for one year only.
- (4) That all grounds, fences and other accommodations shall be put into suitable condition immediately after the rodeo to meet the approval of the Athletic Director.
- (5) That all plans for fences, chutes and corrals must be approved by the Athletic Director.

On motion by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Ratliff, the Board granted authority to the Athletic Department to purchase an automobile to be used in the work of that department.

On motion by Mr. Ratliff, seconded by Mr. Price, the Board authorized

President Whyburn to set up the college operating budget for 1947-48 and to set this into operation as rapidly as Legislative actions permit. The President was authorized to build this budget in such a way that basic salaries for all staff members meet the minimum standard provided in 1946-47, plus the provisions of Senate Bill No. 7 of the 50th Legislature.

On motion by Mr. Ince, seconded by Mr. Ratliff, the Board voted approval of a resolution inviting Deans Emeritus Leidigh, Gordon and Doak, and Miss Emma Main to remain in the service of the College for the next school year on present appointment basis.

On motion by Mr. Ratliff, seconded by Mr. McGee, the Board appropriated \$6,364.00 as a grant to the Department of Plant Industry to pay the cost of grubbing and clearing 160 acres of land, and the drilling of one irrigation well and the equipping of same with power and pump machine.

On motion by Mr. Ince and seconded by Mr. Price, the Board voted an appropriation of \$35,000.00 to the Department of Animal Husbandry with which to increase the dairy herd, extend and improve the calf barn, the dairy cow sheds and the maternity barn; and to increase the facilities in the milking barn with the exception of one item of \$8,500.00, action on this item to be deferred until further investigation had been made, and a definite recommendation is made by Mr. Price at the next Board meeting as to whether it would be wise to purchase and install this unit.

At this juncture, the Secretary of the Board presented a request from Mr. Wyatt C. Hedrick that the Board approve an application for a loan from the FWA to cover expense in connection with plans and specifications for apartment dormitories. After some consideration and discussion of the problem, it was decided that further investigation would be made by Mr. Mark McGee and definite action taken at the Board meeting on June 2.

On motion by Mr. Price and seconded by Mr. Ince, the Board passed a resolution allocating space for the location of armories for the Navy and Army and for a civil aeronautics station on the property of Texas Technological College, giving President Whyburn authority to sign lease agreements covering these projects.

On motion by Mr. McGee and seconded by Mr. Price, the Board approved leaves of absence for one year to the four following members of the faculty: Miss Geraldine Clewell, Miss Edith Coleman, Mrs. Mina Lamb, and Dr. A. B. Cunningham.

At this juncture, President Whyburn read a letter from the Athletic Council announcing the resignation of Coaches Berl Huffman and Walker Nichols, and announcing the appointment of Mr. G. B. Morris as Assistant Coach and the advancement of Mr. Polk Robison on salary which was originally drawn by Mr. Huffman. On motion by Mr. Ratliff and seconded by Mr. McGee, the recommendations of the Athletic Council were approved by the Board.

On motion by Mr. McGee and seconded by Mr. Price, the Board approved the resignation of Miss Mildred Dulaney, a member of the Library staff.



On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Ratliff, the Board appropriated the amount of \$15,500.00 to be used by the Animal Husbandry Department in the establishment of an artificial breeding project, with the understanding that a donation from the Great National Life Insurance Company of Dallas, Texas, of \$4,500.00 would be used for this purpose and that four local milk dealers would underwrite the amount of \$3,600.00 to cover a deficit for the first twelve-months' period in which this project is in operation. The underwriters of this amount were the Borden Company, Southern Division, Lambs' Milk & Ice Cream, McIlhenny Dairy Products Company and Bell Ice Cream Company.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Ratliff, the Board voted approval of an appropriation of money to cover the extension of facilities in the tunnel system and to move and erect the power plant recently purchased for the College, the total of which is \$266,177.47.

On motion by Mr. Weymouth, seconded by Mr. Ince and Mr. Price, the Board passed a resolution to invite the Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association to sit with the Board in its meetings except when the Board is in executive session and/or at special times when the Board might have special matters to discuss.

On motion by Mr. McGee, seconded by Mr. Weymouth, the Board passed a resolution authorizing the President of the College to enter into agreements between the College and agencies, such as the State Board of Vocational Education, on projects where all salaries and other expenses involved are reimbursable to the College on a one hundred (100%) per cent basis, provided the agency contracting with the College gives written assurance that the project is to cease entirely whenever any portion of it fails to be supported one hundred (100%) per cent by this agency.

On motion by Mr. Ratliff, seconded by Mr. Price, the Board passed a resolution that Dr. Whyburn be given authority to fill one of two places, Dean of the Division of Business Administration or Assistant to the President.

On motion by Mr. McGee and seconded by Mr. Price, the Board of Directors passed a resolution to advise the City of Lubbock that the Tech College Board of Directors does want the property occupied by the Lubbock Army Air Field, and it reiterates the statement made at the meeting of the Board on December 5, 1945, at which time, on motion by Mr. Weymouth and seconded by Mr. McGee, the Board voted unanimous approval of the acceptance of the property by Texas Technological College as offered by the officials of the City of Lubbock; and Mr. O. B. Ratliff was named as member of the Board to work with Dr. Whyburn and the City officials in arrangements for the transfer of this property if it can be accomplished.

On motion by Mr. Weymouth and seconded by Mr. Ratliff, the Board voted authority for the operation of the College Cafeteria through the month of June, 1947, if its operation was found to be desirable and feasible.

On motion by Mr. McGee and seconded by Mr. Ratliff, the Board voted to make a living cost adjustment of not to exceed \$200.00 a person to the employees of the College.

On motion by Mr. Weymouth and seconded by Mr. Ince, the Board passed a resolution to request the Santa Fe to place the Tech College switch within the Lubbock switching limits.

The Board of Directors, by unanimous consent of all members present, passed a resolution expressing sincere thanks to the Texas Tech Alumni and Ex-Students' Association for the nice luncheon given to the Board at the time of their meeting on April 12, 1947, and keen appreciation for the very fine sentiments expressed by Elmer Tarbox as president of the Association.

There being no further business appearing, the Board adjourned to meet on June 2 at Texas Technological College or sooner subject to call of the Chairman.

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W. T. GASTON, Secretary  
Board of Directors  
Texas Technological College